

# The Mayor and Council of Hurlock

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MICHAEL E. HENRY  
MICHAEL D. NORDSTROM

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 9, 2012

6:00 P.M. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Spratt. Following the pledge of allegiance Reverend Bovankovitch gave the opening prayer.

Roll call was taken, in attendance were Councilmembers Adams, Cephas, Durham and Henry, and also in attendance were Mayor Spratt, Attorney Vinson and Clerk Avery.

Approval of the minutes of the September 24<sup>th</sup> regular meeting was called for, Councilman Durham made motion to approve the minutes with a second by Councilman Henry. The minutes were approved all in favor with none opposed, 4 to 0. Motion was made to approve the Agenda by Councilman Henry and seconded by Councilman Adams and passed all in favor with none opposed, 4 to 0.

Councilman Nordstrom's absence was explained as being due to by-pass surgery and subsequently he was called and put on speaker phone. Keith Lackie from MDP was introduced to give a presentation to the Council, in open session, regarding the State mandated "septic bill". Mr. Lackie explained the requirements regarding the Tier Mapping requirements. The Town will only require mapping for Tier 1, 2 & 2A, the County will require mapping for all 4 Tiers. Maps were distributed to the Mayor and Council showing the areas in Town and out of Town designated as Tier 1 Tier 2 and Tier 2A. The areas out of Town are designated as future growth areas. A resolution adopting the Hurlock potential growth maps was read by Clerk Avery. Councilman Adams made a motion to approve the maps for the Town of Hurlock and was seconded by Councilman Durham. Councilman Cephas asked about the Tier 3 & 4 areas in the County; the answer was that major developments would not be approved if they would be on septic systems. With no further questions the Mayor called for the vote. Councilman Adams, Durham, Henry and Nordstrom voted Aye while Councilman Cephas voted Nay. The motion passed 4 to 1.

Mayor Spratt reported that Fall Fest was a huge success. Train rides sold out except for the 9:30 train and 6 seats not filled on the 5:00 o'clock train. The winner of the pie contest was Rebecca Williams with her apple crumb pie. Earl Murphy reported that the bands enjoyed performing so much that they want to participate again. Most food vendors sold out and there were 25 more craft vendors, and 6 more food vendors than last year. Councilman Cephas called for a round of applause for all the workers that put the Fall Fest together.

County Councilman Rick Price gave his report. November 13<sup>th</sup> the State will meet with the County Council at 7:00 PM for the purpose of hearing requests for highway repairs, restoration of the highway user fees and the possible restoration of some of the unused rail lines. The County Council feels that rail service and the Port of Cambridge are very important to economic development for the County. Councilman Price ended his report by congratulating all that helped organize and run Fall Fest.

Under the police report Chief Hutton reported that the drug take back program had been very successful.

Jerry Rhue reported that the Fire Department did very well with beef sandwich sales during Fall Fest and elections for officers for next year will be in the near future.

Clerk Avery explained the bids that had been received for the replacement of three fire hydrants. One bid had been for supplying and installation of the hydrants for \$17,600. By the Town purchasing the hydrants directly at a cost of close to \$8,000 with installation by Zober Contracting for \$3,325 the Town would save about \$6,000. Councilman Durham made a motion to accept Zober's proposal for installation with a second by Councilman Nordstrom, the motion was put to a vote and passed 5 in favor, none opposed.

Councilman Durham made a motion to follow the County and have Halloween between 6 and 8 PM on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012, the motion was seconded by Councilman Adams and passed 5 in favor, none opposed.

Clerk Avery explained that the Council approval of the Town sponsoring the Christmas Parade last year was for one year only and asked that the Town sponsor the parade again this year. Councilman Adams asked why the Fall Fest parade and the Christmas Parade aren't combined. Earl Murphy explained how two years ago all the responsibility for the parade fell on he and his wife, including the financial aspect. He explained how he had come to the Town last year and said he and Michele could not do that anymore. That is why the Town took it over last year. Councilman Nordstrom said the Town should have two parades and they benefit the community and the Christmas Parade is getting better every year. The Christmas Parade should

be a Town run event, it brings the community together. He further stated that the Town should have a good, fun parade and not combine the two events. Councilman Cephas thanked Mr. Murphy for everything that he and his wife have done in the past. He said there should be a budget for the parade and stated that Christmas is a time to have fun. The Mayor explained that people have already made commitments to donate to support the parade. Councilman Durham said it is the Council's responsibility to support and encourage things that benefit the Town and made a motion for the Town to sponsor the Christmas Parade. Following a second by Councilman Nordstrom Mayor Spratt said that any costs for the parade that were not covered by donations she would pay for. A vote was called for and passed 5 in favor, none opposed.

Councilman Nordstrom said he gives cheers for how great Fall Fest was and thanked Joe Spratt for building and organizing the corn hole games. He thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers during his recovery.

Following a question regarding exemption for hardship for Bay Fees charged by the state Clerk Avery explained that the policy for exemption had to be developed by the Town and approved by MDE. The state did not supply a draft application for the exemption and the Town is now in the process of creating an application which will be submitted for approval.

6:55 P.M. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted;

  
John Avery  
Clerk/Treasurer

*Approved in open session  
10/22/12 4/0*

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF HURLOCK

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RESOLUTION 2012 - 2

WHEREAS, Governor O'Malley on April 18, 2011, issued an Executive Order creating the Task Force on Sustainable Growth and Wastewater Disposal, which consisted of a broad cross-section of representatives from business, agriculture, science, environmental advocacy, and government from throughout Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force was charged with recommending regulatory, statutory and other actions to address the impact of major developments served by on-site sewage disposal systems, commonly known as septic systems, and their effects on pollution, land preservation, agribusiness, and smart growth; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force reported its findings in December 2011 to the Governor, the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, the House Environmental Matters Committee and the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee; and

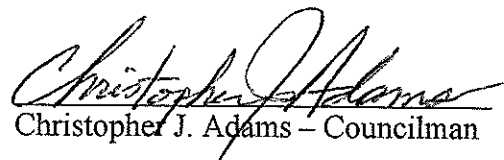
WHEREAS, The Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012 (SB236), adopted by the Maryland Legislature in 2012, embodies the nearly unanimous recommendations of the Task Force on planning for growth served by on-site sewage disposal systems and where major subdivisions served by on-site sewage disposal systems and shared facilities can be located; and

WHEREAS, The SB236 requires participating local jurisdictions to adopt Growth Tier Maps indicating those areas served by public sewerage systems, those areas intended to be served by public sewerage systems, and those areas not planned for sewerage service, and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the provisions of the SB236, The Town of Hurlock has developed a SB236 Growth Tier Map, assigning Growth Tier designations to those lands within the municipal boundary and to those lands within the municipal growth area as shown within the Town of Hurlock's comprehensive plan.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SB236 Growth Tier Map for the Town of Hurlock is hereby adopted and is to become effective upon its passage.

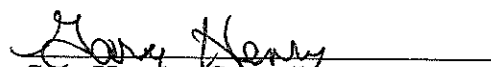
INTRODUCED and read to the Mayor and Council in public session of the Town Council on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012.

  
Christopher J. Adams – Councilman

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Charles T. Cephas, Sr. – Councilman

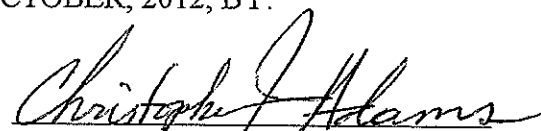
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Parker J. Durham - Councilman

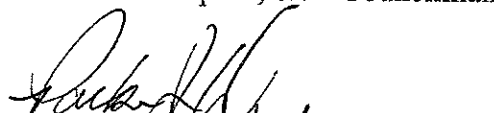
  
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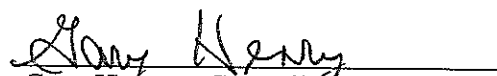
  
Michael D. Nordstrom - Councilman

ORDAINED, APPROVED AND PASSED THIS RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL  
OF HURLOCK, MARYLAND, ON THIS 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012, BY:

  
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Parker J. Durham - Councilman

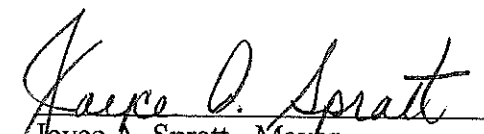
  
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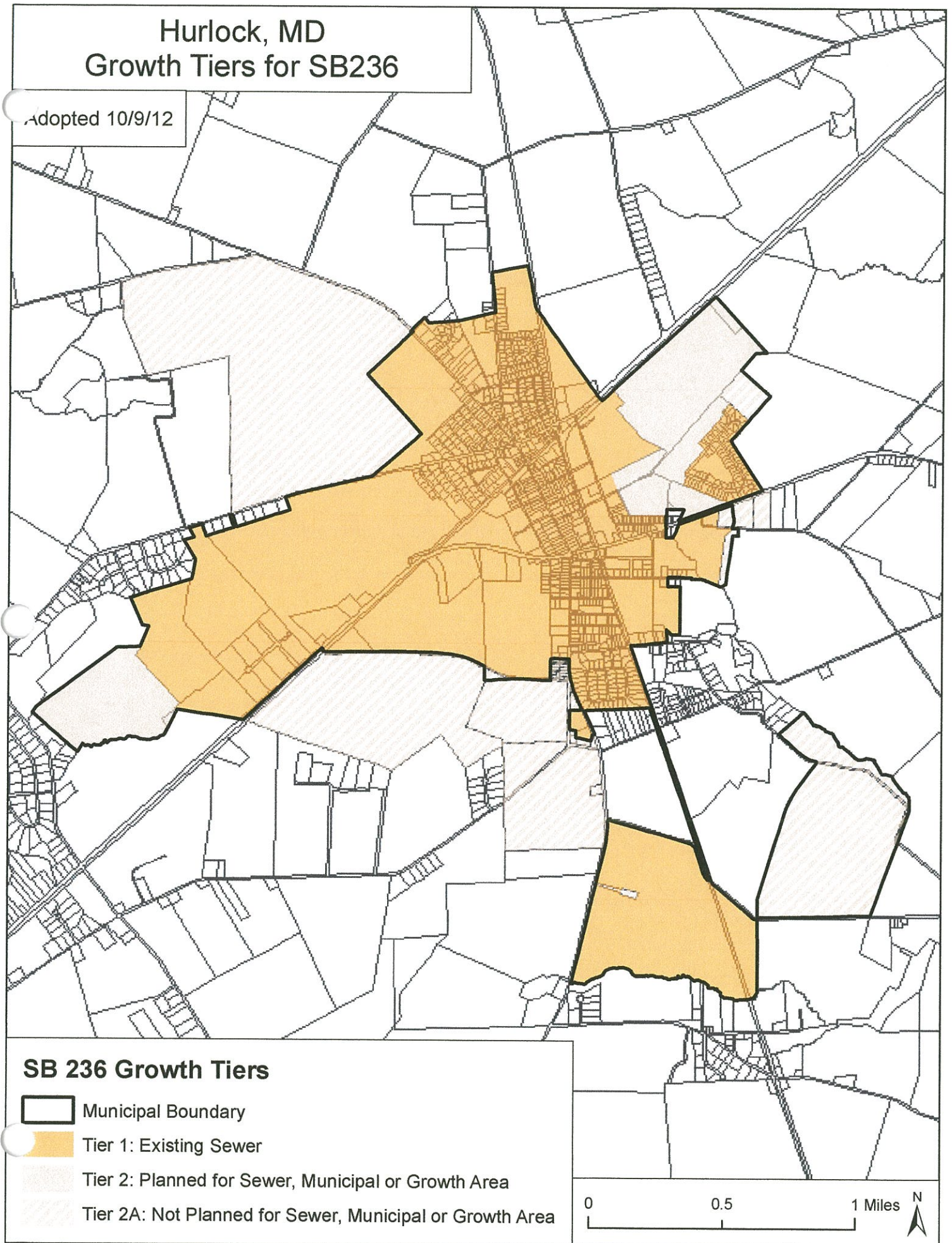
  
John Avery - Clerk/Treasurer

  
Joyce A. Spratt - Mayor



# Hurlock, MD Growth Tiers for SB236

Adopted 10/9/12





# Hurlock, MD Potential Growth Tiers for SB236

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